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: NOVEL MOLECULES OF THE CARD-RELATED PROTEIN FAMILY AND

USES THEREOF

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 13, 2001, applicants elect the invention of Group I, drawn to the embodiment of nucleic acids, vectors, host cells, methods for producing polypeptides, and kits containing nucleic acids. The election is made without traverse.

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